



CW2 Jonathan Robert Farmer 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne)

Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jonathan R. Farmer, a Special Forces assistant detachment commander, assigned to 3rd Battalion, 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), died January 16, 2019, of wounds sustained during an attack while conducting a local engagement in Manbij, Syria.

Farmer, 37, a native of Boynton Beach, Florida, joined the U.S. Army, March 30, 2005. He attended One Station Unit Training, Fort Benning, Georgia in 2005 followed by the Special Forces Qualification Course. He graduated in 2007 as a Special Forces engineer sergeant and was assigned to 5th Special Forces Group (Airborne), where he remained throughout his career.



Farmer was selected to attend the Special Forces Warrant Officer Candidate School, where he earned his commission in 2016.

Following graduation, he was selected to serve as an assistant detachment commander.

Farmer served on six overseas combat tours; twice in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom in October 2007 and January 2009, once in support of Operation New Dawn in August 2010, once in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from January 2012, and twice in support of Operation Inherent Resolve in January 2018 and January 2019.

His military education includes One Station Unit Training, the Basic Airborne Course, Survival Evasion, Resistance, and Escape (SERE) Course, Special Forces Qualification Course, the Advanced Special Operations Technical Course, the Advanced Leader's Course, Special Forces Warrant Officer Candidate School, the Special Forces Warrant Officer Basic Course, and the Warrant Officer Technical and Tactical Certification Course.

Farmer's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (2OLC), Purple Heart, Army Commendation Medal with "C" Device, Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Army Achievement Medal, Afghanistan Campaign Ribbon with one campaign star, Iraqi Campaign Medal (3), Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, NATO medal, Special Forces Tab, Parachutist Badge, and Combat Infantryman's Badge.

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